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- 1. A quick latch system for use with a motor vehicle having side panels with post holes, said quick latch system comprising:
 - a toolbox having a base with a hole;
- a shaft having an attaching end and an inserting end for passing through and rotating within the hole in said toolbox;
- a clamping a clamping end and an arm extending from said clamping end, said clamping end being pivotally attached to clamping said shaft, and said arm adapted for rotating said shaft within the hole in said toolbox and for pivoting said clamp arm from a vertical position to a horizontal position; and
- a fastener adapted to attach to the inserting end of said shaft. \slash
- 2. The quick latch system set forth in claim 1 wherein the clamping end of said clamp arm comprises a first fork and a second fork, said first fork having a first hole and said second fork having a second hole, said first hole and said second hole being in registry and approximating each other in diameter.

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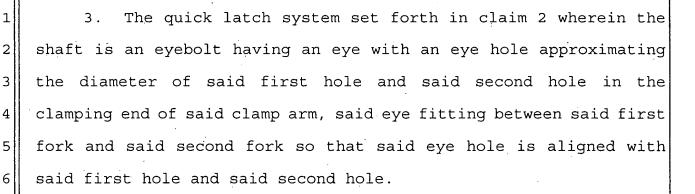
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- 4. The quick latch system set forth in claim 3 further comprising a dowel inserted through the holes in the forks of said clamp arm and through the eye hole in the eye of said shaft, whereby said clamp arm and said eyebolt are pivotally attached to each other.
- 5. The quick latch system set forth in claim 1 wherein the clamping end of said clamp arm has a contoured cam surface.
- 6. The quick latch system set forth in claim 1 wherein the inserting end of said shaft has threads.
- 7. The quick latch system set forth in claim 6 wherein said fastener is a nut.
- 8. The quick latch system set forth in claim 7 wherein said nut has a rhombic shape.

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c. 8 The quick latch system set forth in claim 1 further comprising a layer of rubber or other cushioning secured to the outside of the base of the toolbox, said layer having a hole aligned with the hole in the toolbox for passing said shaft therethrough through.

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